



# The Daily Republican.

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DECATUR, ILLINOIS:  
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TRACY calls our mutual friend "this heathen, Moulton," and mentions with disgust that the lips of his wife "were smirched by the filthy kiss of Victoria Woodhull." Good strong English, that.

The American Journalist says that during the last six weeks no less 200 daily and weekly newspapers have suspended publication in this country; and it is estimated that \$8,000,000 have been lost during the year in the publication business.

The New York Sun of Thursday advances the theory that both Mrs. Moulton and Mrs. Tilton were in love with Beecher, and that the former's bitter feeling and strong testimony against the Plymouth pastor springs from unrequited passion. It has been previously remarked that "Holl hath no fury like a woman scorned."

In a recent letter from Paris, Col. Forney repeats the stereotyped talk about American wastefulness and European thrift. As an evidence of the universal economy which prevails in Paris, he says he saw the *cliffours* with bags and lanterns, raking the gutters for scraps of muslin or woolen, which when collected they clean and sell. That is all well enough, but there must be some unthrifty people there or there would be no scraps of cloth thrown away for the ragmen to pick up.

The present legislature is a "Reform" body. An investigation discloses that the first session of the Twenty-eighth General Assembly had thirty-four employes at an aggregate per diem of \$135. The second session had twenty-nine employes at a per diem of \$125. This "Reform" legislature has forty-seven employes—not quite one to each Senator—at a per diem of \$189, or an increase of 40 per cent, over the first, and 52 per cent over the second session.

There is a very large percentage of the last wheat crop that has never been put in market on account of the extremely low price. The very low price of wheat and fair price of flour ought to have made the milling business very profitable the last year. One of the curiosities of the market for meal and mill stuffs is a fact mentioned by a St. Louis paper, that bran is worth very nearly as much as corn meal feed, although containing but a small percentage of the nutriment of the latter.

The unregenerated editor of a Jasper county paper is enthusiastic on revival meetings. Hear the wicked wretch:

Big Methodist protracted meeting in Mt. Carmel. Up to the present time there have been 18 sinners taken in out of the wet, 14 additions to the church, and the good work still going on.

Discussing the question of teaching German in the public schools *The Cincinnati Gazette* says:

"Without attempting to decide just where the line is to be drawn between useful and ornamental studies, we may say that it is evident that the tax-paying community all over the country is beginning to complain that the public schools cost much more than they ought. In Boston the annual expense per scholar has increased from twelve to forty dollars within a few years, and there must be retrenchment in some quarter. Of course, the work of pruning will begin and be mostly confined to the uppermost branches. It is certainly time that practical men should look a little closer in a department of expenditure which has been too exclusively managed by educational enthusiasts. Unless there be some judicious reform the schools in our cities will be come insupportable burdens, and their enemies be enabled to use the potent argument of dollars and cents to help in their overthrow."

The youthful King Alfonso's method of selecting his royal advisers reminds one of the way boys play marbles. It seems that the boy King had a special aversion to a gentleman named Mr. Ortiz de Pinedo, and when the former was pressed to make said gentleman a counselor, the King stoutly refused, and when questioned as to the cause, said, "This is the man who had charge of the property of the palace, and he sold my beautiful black horse to little Johnny Prim, and I shall never forgive him, never." Johnny Prim is the son of the late Gov. I., and is about the same age as the King.

It is simply absurd to talk about a woman being qualified to fill every position in life that a man fills. For instance, what woman could lounge around the stove in a country grocery and lie about the number of fishes she caught last summer.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

## HOW TO KEEP THE CHILDREN AT HOME.

An exchange truthfully observes: "That home education is a matter of the utmost importance is not denied by any person who cares to give the subject any thought, and is capable of forming an intelligent opinion. Book knowledge and worldly wisdom will come in due time, but even more important than these, and lying at the foundation of individual character, usefulness and happiness, are sound principles and the well developed moral qualities which come from a healthy home influence. Without these all other education is a useless if not a dangerous gift; with them, but little else is requisite to good citizenship and individual happiness. Wise statesmen and political economists admit that the family is the fundamental principle of the state, and every judicious parent and teacher knows the incalculable importance of a healthy home education. To the attainment of this, one thing is absolutely indispensable, namely, that homes should be made pleasant and attractive to children. Whatever tends to this helps to wean their minds from the morbid amusements of the outer world, and to turn them in the direction of a healthy development. It is not the boys whose homes are made happy and attractive who roam the streets after nightfall, learning and practicing vice, nor the youths who have been taught to find enjoyment in the innocent amusements of the domestic circle, who fly to the excitement of the theater, the billiard room, and the other worse places of resort. Happy and wise, therefore, are the parents who understand and practice the art of entertaining their children and of making home what it ought to be, the happiest of all places. To this end innumerable means will command themselves to ingenious parents, according to their circumstances and facilities, but there is never any lack where the will is good and the purpose fixed. The wealthy have advantages in this as in other respects, if they will improve them, but some of the shiestest home amusements are easily within reach of all, such as reading aloud, the playing of simple games, and, best of all, music in one form or another. Hardly one child in a thousand has but sufficient ear for music to master easy tunes, and the practice is an endless source of interest and amusement to them. Many a child is won to gentle ways and brought under the firm restraint of home influence through the study of simple music, and many a man traces some of the best motives of his life to the early practice of this amusement amid the pleasant surroundings of home. The tendency of our modern education is to cultivate the intellect somewhat to the neglect of the affections and the moral qualities. Intellectual cultivation is good, but the other is better, and if either is to be neglected it had better be the former. As the family lies at the foundation of the state, so the perpetuity and welfare of the republic depend to a great extent on the type of home life which we succeed in establishing and maintaining."

## HORRIBLE DISCLOSURES.

A rich wine dealer residing in London, recently, on his death bed, being in great distress of mind, acknowledged to his friends that his agony was occasioned by the nature of the business he had followed for years. He stated that he had been his habit to purchase all the sour wines he could, and by making use of lead and other deleterious substances, to restore the wine to a palatable taste. He said he had no doubt that he had been the means of destroying hundreds of lives, as he had for some time noticed the injurious effects of his mixtures on those who drink them. He had seen instances of this kind where the unconscious victim of his cupidity, after wasting and declining for years, despite the best of medical advice, went to their graves poisoned by the adulterant wine he had sold them. The man died rich. But alas! what a legacy did he leave his children!

The pretty maid of honor whom the Grand Duke Alexis married all unbeknownst to the old folks, appears to be a spunkie as she is beautiful. Alexis, it will be remembered, was sent to America that he might forget her, but while it plan cured the Grand Duke, it didn't appear his bride, who was sent out of the empire by special train. She went to Geneva, and recently, it appears that Count Shouvaloff was sent to treat with her. It was proposed that she should renounce all claim to the hand of Alexis, should change her name and disappear. In return for this service, she would receive 1,000,000 roubles down, and annuity of 75,000 roubles, which would be continued to her child in case the latter survived her; but Mrs. Alexis wouldn't do it. She loved Alexis too much for that, and so matters stand at present.

The little town of Beecher, this State, somehow feels as though it is on trial, and cannot but hold a deadly antipathy toward the town of Tilton, N. H. Such are the deplorable results of studying so-ology.

## TELEGRAPHIC.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.  
[Reported Expressly for the Daily Republican.]

## THE SENATE PASSES THE CIVIL RIGHTS BILL.

### Passage of the Force Bill by the House.

### BECHER'S TESTIMONY TO OCCUPY 10 OR 12 DAYS.

### The Meek and Lowly Bowen to be Put on the Stand.

### HEAVY SHRINKAGE IN THE LOUISVILLE BONANZA.

### Another Diocese Votes Against DeKoven

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—It is expected the last general appropriation bill, that for supplying the deficiencies, will be reported to-morrow or Tuesday. There seems no doubt these bills will become laws, and an extra legislative session of the Senate commences Friday, and will not continue over a week. The business will be a secret session on the Hawaiian and Belgian treaties, and action on nominations by the President. A large amount of business remains for both houses, which will necessitate very late sessions.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Little Ralph Tilton is reported dying.

Judge Fullerton, of Tilton's counsel, says his side intends to invite Bowen on the stand when they commence rebutting testimony. They believe he intends to speak the truth, and they will give him opportunity. Gen. Tracy has yet

250 pages of manuscript of his speech,

which will require at least one day.

Beecher will likely be the first witness

for the defense; he will be examined

by Evarts and Porter, and cross-examined by Fullerton. It is expected he

will be on the stand ten or twelve days.

Bowen will not be called on Beecher's

side, but Bessie Turner and Mrs. Morse

will be. Also Mrs. Porter, with whom

Mrs. Tilton boarded when she wrote the

Catharine Gaunt letter to prove the

alleged conspiracy. Beecher will be reinforced by members of his society, who

will swear that adultery was never men-

tioned by Tilton until the meeting of

the Church Committee.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Beecher, in his lecture room talk, last night, said:

"I am not half so anxious about the

result of this trial as that I shall live

through its continuance and after its ter-

mination, and I pray that my example

may be that of a trusting follower of

Christ Jesus, and I pray that your many

prayers may be answered, simply that I

may be known as a Christian."

The firm of Woodruff & Robinson

this morning publish a card in answer

to parts of Tracy's speech. They say

that as a partner Moulton was always

just, and that the dissolution has not

been influenced by this controversy.

The bill was finally reported to the

Senate without amendments, and it was

passed, after the closing speech by

Edmunds—yeas 38, nays 26.

HOUSE.

The consideration of the force bill

was resumed. Messrs. Cook, Pierce

of Massachusetts, and Poland opposed

its passage.

Mr. White, of Alabama, made the

last speech supporting the bill.

The House then proceeded to vote on the

bill and its amendments. First by Mr.

Butler, limiting the territory in which

the 13th section is applicable to Al-

abama, Louisiana, Arkansas and Mis-

sissippi, and limiting its term to one

year. Adopted—164 to 100. See

on, Amendment by Mr. Cannon.

On the 2d amendment to the

force bill, Mr. C. C. Van Zandt

of New York moved to strike out the

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Local Notices will be inserted at ten cents per line for the first insertion, and five cents per line for each subsequent insertion. Rates for time advertisements will be furnished upon application at the office.

TO DAILY SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscriptions to the DAILY REPUBLICAN will be collected every Saturday, at the places where the paper is delivered, unless otherwise ordered.

We would be much obliged if our subscribers would tell the carrier at what particular place they desire their papers to be left.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce W. H. HANRAN as a candidate for Alderman in the third ward.

We are authorized to announce A. W. HANRAN as a candidate for Mayor.

We are authorized to announce W. M. MURKIN as a candidate for Alderman in the first ward.

We are authorized to announce GENEVIEVE L. LOUPE as a candidate for City Surveyor and Engineer.

We are authorized to announce JOHN A. LEHMAN as a candidate for Alderman in the first ward.

In compliance with the request of many of my fellow-citizens of the fourth ward, I hereby announce myself a candidate for Alderman of that ward at the next spring election.

B. B. BABCOCK.

We are authorized to announce FRANCIS PETERS as a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor.

We are authorized to announce JOSHUA STILES as a candidate for Township Collector at the ensuing April election.

We are authorized to announce B. F. STRICKER as a candidate for Alderman in the third ward.

We are authorized to announce B. H. CASSERLY as a candidate for Alderman in the first ward.

We are authorized to announce WM. M. MURKIN as a candidate for Alderman in the second ward.

We are authorized to announce T. J. ABEL as a candidate for Mayor.

I respectfully request to announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Town Collector at the coming April election.

H. H. BROWN.

We are authorized to announce JAMES L. PEAK as a candidate for re-election to the office of Alderman, in the fourth ward.

By request of numerous friends, I hereby announce myself a candidate for Mayor of the city of Decatur at the coming election.

R. H. MERWEATHER.

We are authorized to announce the name of H. B. DUARTE, Esq., as a candidate for Alderman in the second ward.

We are authorized to announce E. McNAUL as a candidate for Alderman in the second ward.

We are authorized to announce JOHN W. HAWORTH as a candidate for re-election to the office of City Marshal.

We are authorized to announce ENOCH G. TRUCKEE as a candidate for Township Collector at the ensuing April election.

We are authorized to announce M. K. HAUPT as a candidate for re-election to the office of City Treasurer.

We are authorized to announce DAVID L. HUMES, Esq., as a candidate for Alderman in the first ward.

We are authorized to announce JOSEPH P. LEAK as a candidate for re-election to the office of Alderman in the fifth ward.

We are authorized to announce JAMES M. CAMPBELL as a candidate for Alderman in the third ward at the ensuing city election.

We are authorized to announce SULLIVAN BURNESS as a candidate for re-election to the office of City Surveyor and Engineer.

WARRIOR & DURFEE.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

March.  
Choice mackerel at Lewis & Miller's.

Electroengineering is going on to-day at almost every street corner.

On account of the rainy weather Goldburg will not be fixed up in his new stand until to-morrow evening.

Fresh parsnips and carrots at Imboden & Co.'s.

An unusual number of folks got drunk in town on Saturday—perhaps the approaching election had something to do with it.

Every variety of canned fruit of superior quality at Newell & Hammer's.

Housekeepers are highly tickled to see rain and have their ists filled with nice soft water.

Quarterly Meeting.—At the United Brethren church regular quarterly meetings were held yesterday, the pulpit being occupied by Elder Bost, the Presiding Elder. The services throughout the day were very interesting—There will be preaching at this church to-night, and probably services of some kind every evening this week.

Bird's Eye View.—Our reporter took a stroll about town a few days since to see what the indications were in regard to business the coming season. In all the stores he noticed that preparations are being made for a large trade. Merchants are employing their leisure time in overhauling and assorting their stocks, marking down to a very low figure all articles that are at all out of season or shop-worn, and cleaning their shelves for unusually heavy invoices of new goods. In this they are wise, for beyond all question Macon county farmers and mechanics were never in a better condition financially than they are this year, and with the prospects they have of good crops the coming summer and fall, they will feel more inclined to purchase freely than they would under other circumstances. From all that our reporter could see and learn we predict a prosperous year for all our people, in both city and country.

Choice fine tobacco and superb cigars at Andy Kepler's.

The ice dealers of our city are still delivering considerable ice to customers.

Lovers of bivalves must put in their best work for the next eight weeks, there being but one month after this that is filled with an R.

Small-pox excitement has entirely subsided, and we do not know of any case of it, or of varioloid, in the city.

We are sorry to learn that there is a visible improvement in Samuel Newell's condition. He has not grown better for more than a week, and it is feared he is gradually growing weaker.

MARRIED.

On Feb. 22d, by George Goodman, Esq., in this city, MR. ISAAC CONNOR and Miss MARIA C. LYONS.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

To the Christian People of Decatur. Mercy and peace be multiplied abundantly unto you through our Lord and Saviour Jesus & Christ.

The Christian ministry is of Divine institution. They have weighty duties to discharge to the people; they are under solemn responsibilities to God. Ministers are commanded to "feed the flock of God over which the Holy Ghost has given them the oversight." They are to "reprove, rebuke and exhort." They are to "watch for souls," and give warning of approaching danger; and if unfaithful to their trust the blood of the ruined will be required at their hands.

We, your pastors, appointed as we trust of God to labor for your welfare, cannot therefore be indifferent to some evils in our midst; evils which we have reason to believe not only weaken the power of the church for good, but threaten the spirituality and religious life of those who practice them.

Dancing in all its forms we conceive to be one of these evils. But few if any Christians will, we presume, undertake to defend promiscuous dancing. The more genteel form of home or parlor dance, however, finds advocates even amongst professors of religion.

It is evident that either begets a desire for the indulgence that will seek its gratification sooner or later anywhere, and with a class of people that we would not now consent to have our sons and daughters associate with.

"We are besides commanded to do all things to the glory and praise of God. But can any one pretend to be glorified in the dance? Would it not be downright mockery to ask the Divine blessing on what we are doing there? Would we dare insult Him by offering thanks for such a privilege? What would a Christian community say if you were to call in your minister to sanction the amusement with his presence, and introduce it with religious services? And what would be thought of the minister that would consent to do this? Or what would be said of the minister that would introduce such amusement into his own church? But if right for the lay-Christian, how can it be wrong for the minister?

Many forms of dance too tend to inflame the passions, and is, we believe, a prolific cause of much of the licentiousness that pervades society. We have ourselves been cognizant of some painful instances of this kind. It may be asked, "It is a sin to dance?" and if not a sin, why may not Christians indulge in all of passers-by?

A side-track leading from the Illinois Central Railway to the oil mill is half underground, and it is very difficult to do any "switching" on this track. It will be raised and improved as soon as spring opens.

Dramatic.—Mrs. F. W. Landre is to be at the opera house on Monday evening, March 8th, on which occasion she will appear as "Cleopatra," in Shakespeare's sublime and stirring tragedy of "Antony and Cleopatra," supported by a company of the most accomplished stage artists in America. Mrs. Landre is the widow of the late General Landre, of the United States Army, and had before her marriage with that gentleman, a world-wide reputation under the name of Miss Jean M. Davenport, as being one of the most accomplished actresses in the world. Since the death of her late husband she prefers to appear under his honored name. The press of New York city, Chicago, Philadelphia, St. Louis, and other large cities, where Mrs. Landre has appeared, give the most glowing accounts of her performances. The appearance of an actress of such rare merit and high reputation does not often occur in our city, and we hope our people will show their appreciation of genuine talent by crowding the opera house above and below.

Suburban Property for Sale.—A ten acre farm, with good improvements, including an orchard of a hundred bearing apple and pear trees. For particulars inquire of H. W. Hill & Co.

Some Choice Farms and city property for sale cheap. Call and get a copy of our real estate paper. Over one thousand acres of unimproved prairie in Piatt and Moultrie counties at from \$20 to \$25 per acre. Twelve hundred acres in Iroquois county, cheap. Building lots in all parts of the city.

WARRIOR & DURFEE.

Rev. J. L. Crane at Stapp's Chapel.

The pulpit at Stapp's Chapel yesterday was filled by Rev. J. L. Crane, of Springfield, who peached a very interesting, practical and experimental sermon from Romans 8 chap. 14 and 17 verses.

The sermon set forth the evidences which attest genuine christian character, both to the christian himself and to those who observe his life. The speaker said that, according to words involved in the text, they who are led by the spirit of God, are the sons of God. He also dwelt upon the words in the text which declare that the "Spirit beareth witness with our spirits that we are the children of God." Mr. Crane is an exceedingly interesting preacher, and his discourse held the closest attention of his audience throughout.

Thousands of young men who have wrecked their all and been ruined forever, have taken their first lessons in these more genteel forms of gaming. May it not be, too, that they have taken license for their course from the example of members of the christian church?

If the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness.

Theatre going carries with it the same baneful influences, and leads often, to the same ruinous end! Can any one who has noticed the character of the crowd brought together at the theater, and the immoral tendency of so many of the modern plays doubt this? Is it possible that the young, especially, can visit these places and see and hear without being corrupted? If it were not for the happy countering influences of the Christian religion and Christian society, theaters, like games and dancing, would sweep its multitudes down to infamy and death. But even Christianity, with all its charms and saving power, but saves some and restrains others, while the many are borne down beneath the corrupting power of certain destruction—to an endless death.

As your ministers and brethren in the Lord, believing that these things much hinder us in our work for souls; that they stand opposed to vital piety; that they bring a reproach upon the Church and Christianity, we come to you and would most earnestly beseech and exhort you to abstain from them, and use your influence to have others do so.

Let your light so shine before men that your good works may be seen of them and your Father in heaven be glorified! Let your whole life be such as to say to your families and those around you, "Follow us as we follow Christ."

"And may the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and we pray God

that your whole spirit and soul and body may be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

HORACE REED,  
Pastor 1st M. E. Church.  
O. V. KENNISON,  
L. F. FISHER,  
L. F. CHURCH.  
W. M. STEVENS,  
N. S. HAYES,  
G. J. KELLY,  
M. E. CHURCH.  
J. DICKSON,  
Bishop U. B. CHURCH.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Richard Newell returned to-day to his home in Mattoon.

Mr. Al. Barnes boarded the passenger train on the Midland road for the east this morning.

H. Crea, Esq., left this morning for Terre Haute, where he will sojourn for a day or two.

T. Hamilton, Esq., a prominent grain merchant of this city, left today for a tour through the eastern part of this State.

We are sorry to learn that Prof. Gaston is sick with an attack of pneumonia, and probably will not be able to be at his office for several days.

Mr. H. B. Brayton, formerly for years clerk at Priest's hotel, has returned to the city, and is again filling the same position in Mayor Priest's employ.

Mr. Philo A. Clark, advance agent of the Lander Dramatic Company, called at the REPUBLICAN office this morning. Mr. Clark is much of a gentleman, and is a fit representative of one of the best dramatic companies in America.

Among the registered guests at the St. Nicholas Hotel are the following:

D. G. Mackley, Louisville; F. J. Schuyler, New York; D. Kelsey, Chicago, C. Bonda, city; Z. Brown, Charleston, S. C.; Ed. W. Williams, Boston; N. E. Ellithorpe, Chicago; J. E. Henrick, Boston; C. B. Woodruff, Milwaukee; H. S. Grey, Denver; W. K. Liter, La Place, Ills.; H. Weatheron, Detroit; H. D. Collier, Lansing, Mich.; W. C. Smith, Macon; J. W. Pearce, Terre Haute; J. Harper, city; George Barton, Buffalo; J. W. Thompson, Rochester, N. Y.; H. B. Hudson, do.

George F. Wessels has a very complete assortment of boots and shoes direct from eastern manufacturers. Superior fine boots are also made to order at this establishment and perfect fits guaranteed.

H. Post sells genuine Seth Thomas clocks for \$4.

Laid up for Repairs.—We learn that a certain dry goods clerk in town became somewhat elevated on Saturday night, from the use of "benzine." Conceiving that he had the strength of a Samson when he carried away the Gates of Gaza, attempted to duplicate the feat of his illustrious predecessor, by carrying off a lamp post. He rushed furiously against the post, but it would not budge a hair's breadth, standing erect in its majesty while our modern Sampson lay sprawling upon the ground, with a face somewhat the worse for the collision. The young man is laid by for a day or two, but it is thought will be out again all right soon.

Death from Whisky.—On Saturday last a man from Niantic, whose name our reporter failed to learn, came to town with his team, and as some sometimes do, imbibed of "benzine" till he was pretty thoroughly drunk. In this condition he started for his home well on towards evening, and when within two or three miles of his house, was by some means thrown from his wagon into a pool of water by the roadside, and being unable to extricate himself was drowned. His body was found on yesterday morning by persons passing, and was taken to satisfy the sheriff of said Macon county to execute, therefore, unless you, the said D. C. Davidson, shall personally be and appear before the said Circuit Court of Macon county, on the 27th day of January, A. D. 1875, at the said Circuit Court, and before the said court, Stephen Bull, Macon B. Erskine and Robert H. Baker, by the firm name of J. L. Clegg & Company, and against the said D. C. 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